

I strongly oppose Broad Band over Power Lines. RF pollution is a serious problem in the United States and is getting worse. All studies on this application indicate that is not compatible with existing services: Commerical, Military or Civilian in the HF sprectrum and most certainly in the VHF spectrum.

Many of the existing service utilize both HF and VHF/UHF spectrum for emergency communications. This can not be endangered for any reason for the sake of profit making enterprises that the electrical utilities hope to enter with BPL. Communication are critical in times of emergency not only within our borders but also in neighboring countries. Radio Frequency signals know no borders and can not be contained once radiated.

The Utilies seek to enter into the Broadband arena for the sake of the almighty dollar without proper investigation or study to back up the idea. Current investigation by such organizations as the American Radio Relay League will show that BPL is an incompatible method to use for Broadband access.

The Utility industries for years have shown little to no concern for RFI/EMI to the Amateur Radio Service and it is only recently that the FCC has put some teeth into the enforcement of existing regulations. The infrastructure in place in many parts of this country are poorly maintained and lacking in proper monitoring for radiating interference to many services.

It is for the above reasons I urge the FCC to deny BPL.

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